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De La Torre Announces Winners of 7th Annual Southeast Student Film Festival

Festival exposes local students to careers in the entertainment industry

South Gate, Calif. – To encourage local students to enter the entertainment industry Assemblymember Hector De La Torre (D-South Gate) partnered with key industry representatives to highlight local student films at the 7th Annual Southeast Student Film Festival.

“This year, the festival had the most entries ever,” said De La Torre. “We had 145 films submitted from over 11 high schools in Southeast Los Angeles County. It is great to see the outstanding interest from students who aspire to become our future producers, writers, and filmmakers.”

For nearly a decade, the film festival has provided students in the region the opportunity to showcase their films in front of a live audience. Winners receive recognition while their high schools receive monetary awards to further their film and video programs. This year’s film festival was sponsored by AT&T, AltaMed, Paramount Studios, The Walt Disney Company and Regal Entertainment Group.

Over 200 students and their families attended a screening of the finalists’ films at the Edwards 20 Cinema in South Gate this past weekend.

Among this year’s winners are the following entries from Warren High School in Downey:

Drama – Winner

Produced by Daniel Urbina, Erin Langford, Hailey Fierro, Dakota Stanley, and Danny Lopez.

“Inception”

Commercial – Winner

(Tied for Best Overall Film)
Produced by Michael Abdalaal

“Where Amazing Happens”

Commercial (Honorable Mention)

Produced by Juan Estuvier with Dakota Stanley

“Car Commercial”

Comedy (Honorable Mention)

Produced by Cesar Vasquez

“La Cantina”

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